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County of Monroe Planning & Environmental Resources Department 2798 Overseas Highway Suite 410 Marathon, FL 33050

Attn: Debby Tedesco

RE: MM 101, Poinciana Drive, Key Largo: Brett Ekblom

Dear Planning Commission,

My husband I are owners of the real estate bordering the subject property on two sides. We oppose granting a variance that would allow a change to property setbacks. We did the math. The house would be 875 sq/ft with no overhangs or porches. What kind of house is that? Certainly not like the contractor's sign.

Key Largo Park is a growing area. I believe by allowing the enlargement of the buildable area the board would cause a devaluation of our homes. There are larger properties for sale; there are additional lots near the subject for sale. Most of the homes nearby are on more than one lot. Our land runs from Poinciana through to Lakeview and on Lakeview for 100 ft, encompassing three lots. The suggested construction would be much less of a house. Secondly, ten-foot setbacks would allow too little space between our private area and this home. Thirdly, if this passes once it could be the contractor's incentive to repeat, which I believe would depreciate, and overcrowd not just these three streets but also the area.

Let the rule stand, most of us already have so much more invested in our homes.

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Sincerely,

Carol Walsh

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